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Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals for the 72-76 MHz band.

Sincerely,

*Harry G. Cox*

*2518 Christopher Way  
Sacramento, Ca 95819*

January 4, 1993

Gary A. Soderstrom  
1301 Myrtle Street  
Turlock, California 95380

Dear Senator Feinstein:

93-01-01 11:51:10

I am very concerned about proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability for controlling model airplanes.

Our radio control frequencies are in the 72 - 76 MHz band. This band is primarily used for private land mobile dispatch operations. However, our radio control frequencies in this band are far enough apart from the land mobile frequencies that we have been able to share the band without either interfering with the other.

Now the FCC wants to create more land mobile frequencies by splitting them into narrower bandwidths and rearranging the band plan. As a result, many land mobile frequencies will move closer to the radio control frequencies and cause interference to the radio control operations. I am told that of the 50 frequencies that are presently available for radio control of model airplanes, only 19 frequencies will be left if these new rules are adopted.

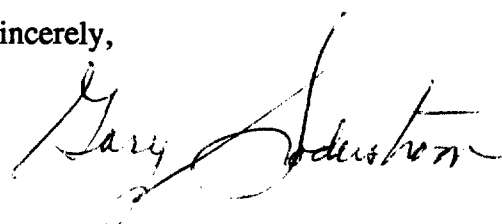
When we fly our model airplanes under radio control, we go to great lengths to assure the safety of the operators and bystanders and the protection of property. Many of our safety precautions involve the careful coordination and use of the radio control frequencies. If the number of usable frequencies is diminished as proposed by the FCC, the remaining frequencies will become congested and the margin of safety will be greatly decreased.

Please understand that many model airplanes have wing spans up to 10 feet or more and weigh as much as 40 pounds. The models themselves are expensive to build, but more to the point, they are capable of causing property damage, serious injury, or even death if radio interference causes the operator to lose control of the aircraft. We need the use of our full complement of radio frequencies in order to assure a safe flying environment.

I do not think it is wise of the FCC to seek to improve operating conditions of land mobile radio users at the expense of radio control modelers. The FCC may not think we are as important as business users of radios, but we have a considerable investment in our models and in our radio equipment. The hobby provides many hours of enjoyment to thousand of people like myself and contributes to the advancement and development of the commercial aviation industry.

Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals for the 72 - 76 MHz band.

Sincerely,



Turlock Calif.

P.S.

I am also concerned  
about the Social Sec Bill  
coming up.  
Please vote no on  
this Bill!

January 31, 1993

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein  
US Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Ms. Feinstein:

As a fellow San Francisco Bay Area citizen, I am asking for your help on the proposed PR Docket 92-234 under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission. If adopted the new rule will greatly reduce the frequencies currently assigned for R.C. model use. Our radio-control frequencies are in the 72-76 MHz band which is primarily used for private land mobile dispatch operations.

The frequencies are far enough apart that we have been able to share this band without interfering with others. The proposed rule will allow mobile users on frequencies within 2.5 KHz apart (now 10 KHz apart) which will make at least 40 of the 50 frequencies unsafe for R.C. model use.

This affects both R.C. airplane, car, and boat activities. When there is interferences you loose control of the operation of the radio and therefore your airplane, car, boat, etc can crash and/or go out of control. This affects kids R.C. toys as well as adults. I am a member of the BARCS (Bay Area Radio Control) operators of R.C. airplanes who go to great lengths to prevent frequency overlaps to protect our airplane and avoid mishaps to others.

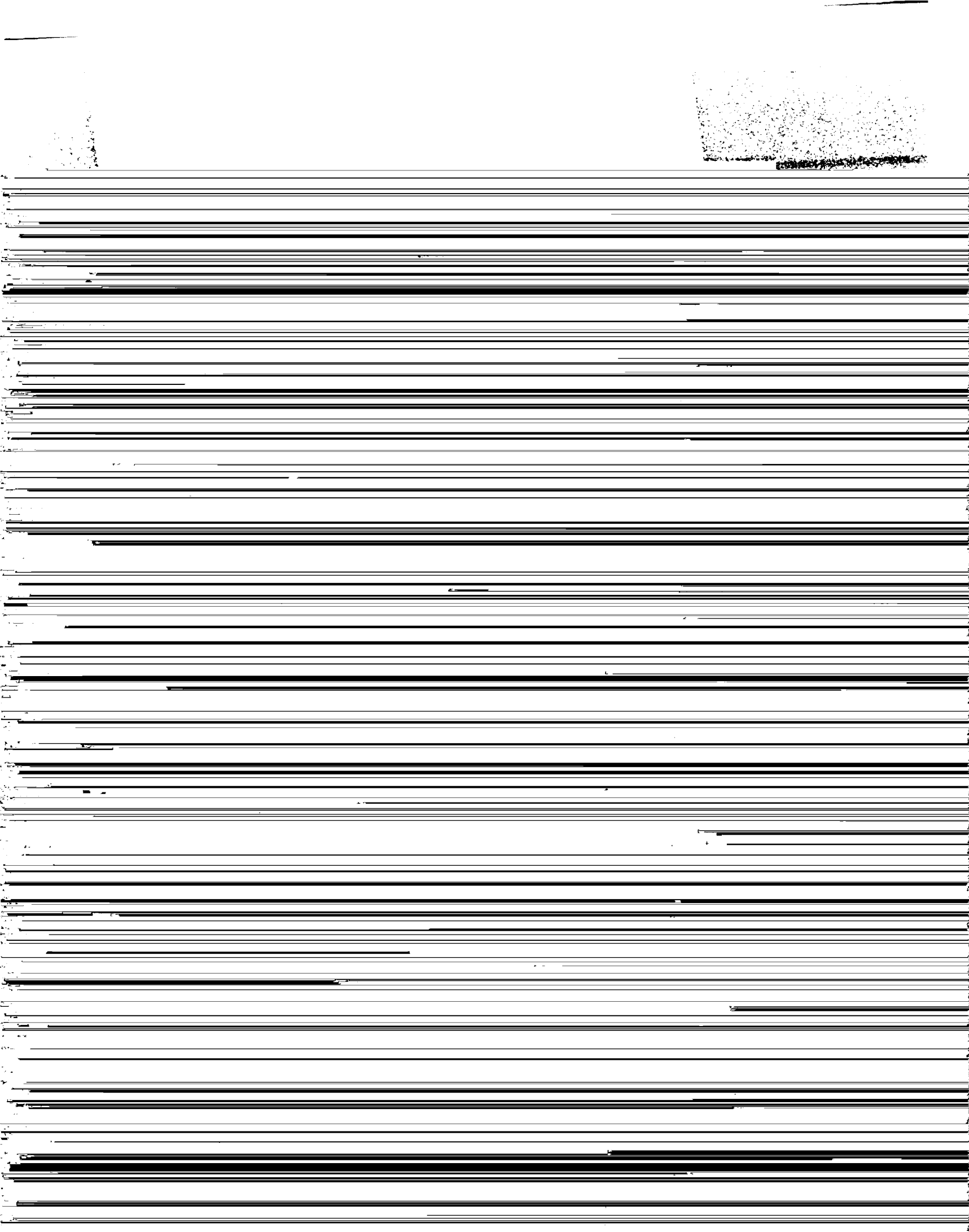
This will also affect the R.C. industry which has also been affected by the recession and does not need any problems for their pilots. There is a sizable industry and hobbyists who have a considerable investment to protect as well as protecting a wonderful hobby, especially for Senior Citizens.

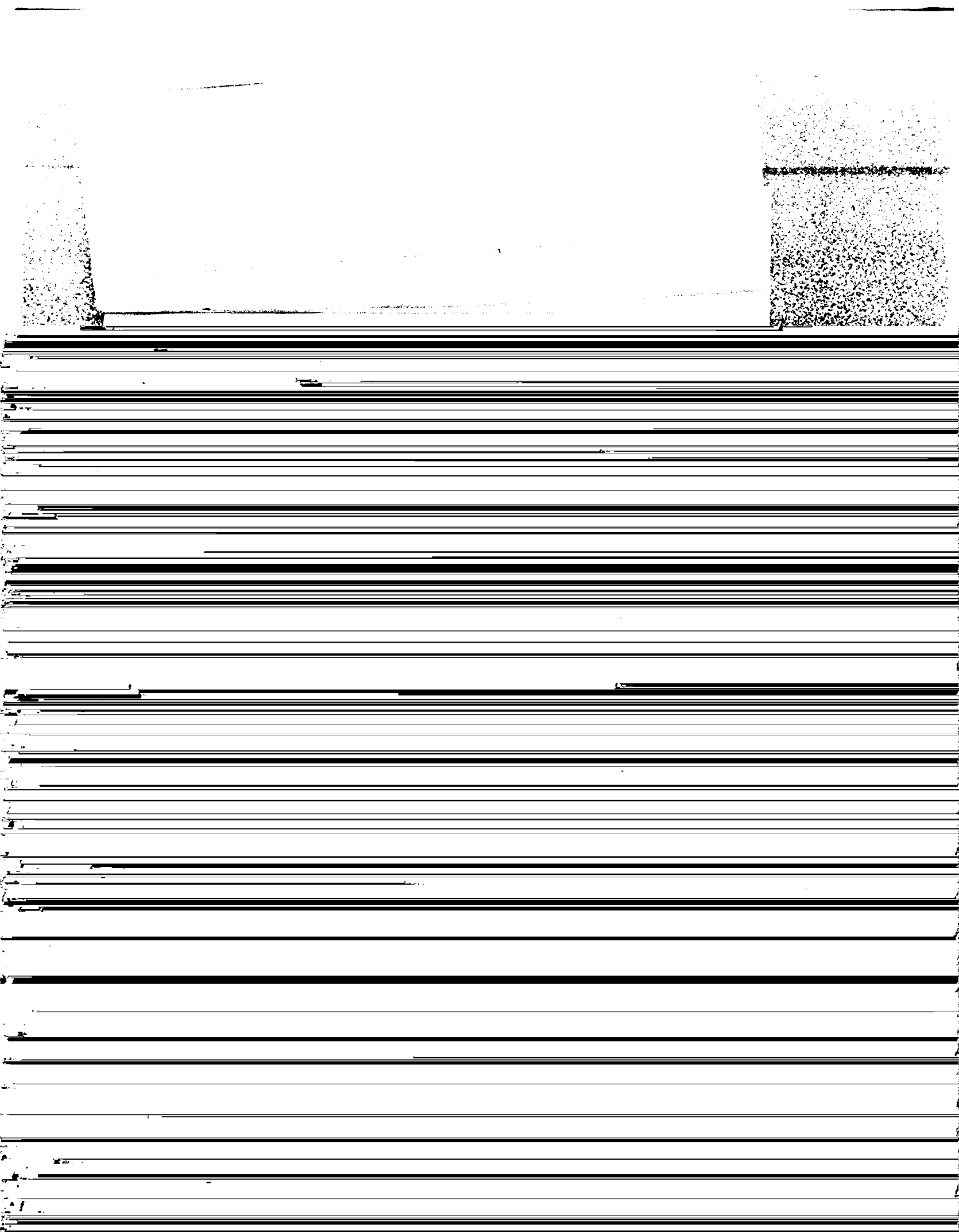
We need your help to not allow the FCC to carry out it's proposal PR Docket 92-234 for 72-76 MHz band which has a deadline of February 26, 1993. Thank you for your cooperation.

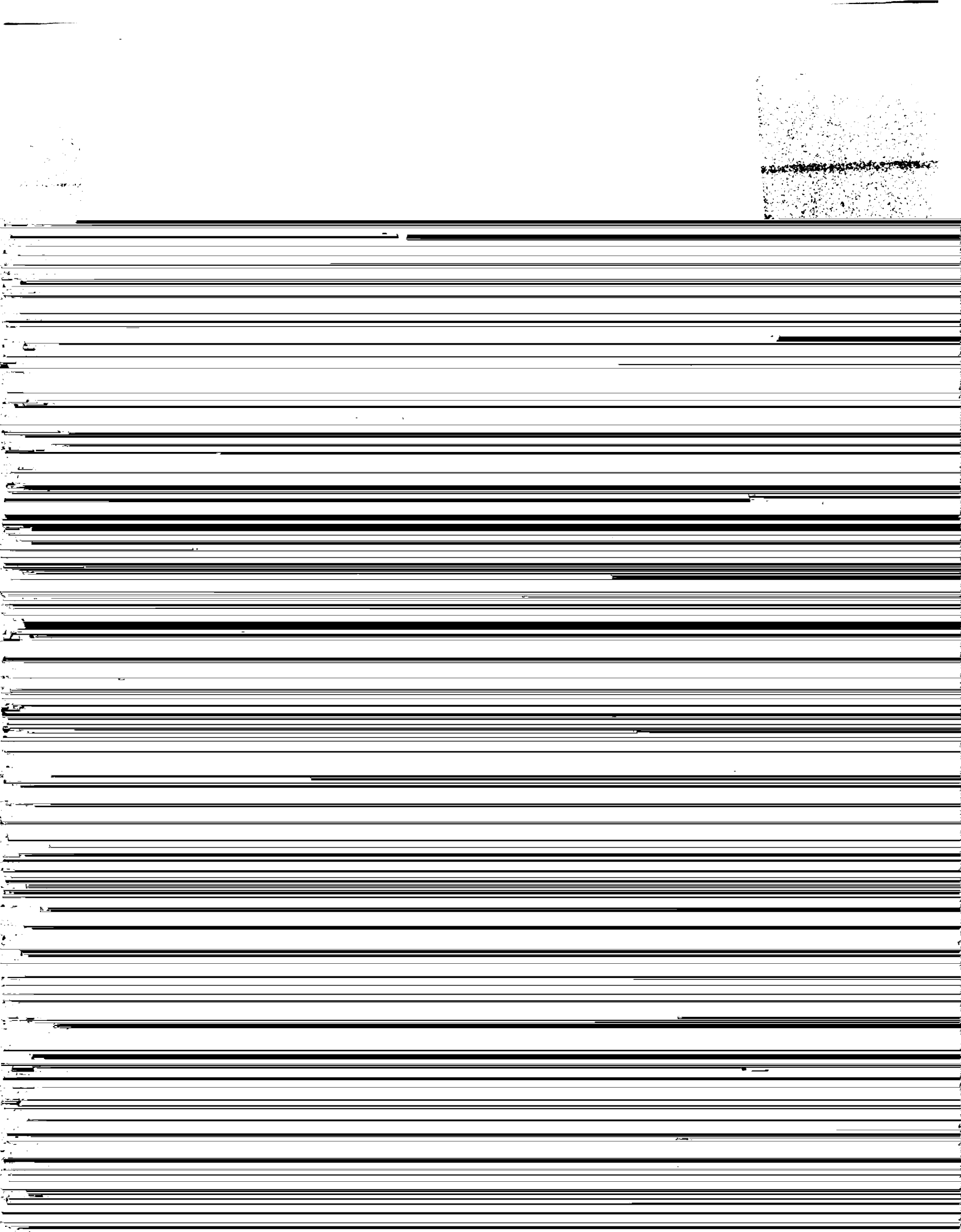
Sincerely,



Carl Swenson  
2895 Estates Ave  
Pinole, CA 94564







February 3, 1993

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Feinstein:

I am retired and derive many hours of enjoyment from constructing and operating radio controlled model airplanes. Therefore, I am very concerned about proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability for controlling model airplanes.

Our radio control frequencies are in the 72-76 MHz  
~~band which is currently used for model aircraft~~

David R. Rankin  
1747 S. Harrison St.  
Stockton, CA 95206



The Honorable Diane Feinstein  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Regarding: PR Docket 92-235

Dear Senator Feinstein,

I have been interested in flight since before I could read. The only way for me to actively participate in flying was to build model aircraft. I am currently a member of Delta Valley Modelers, a local R/C (radio control) club and have been for over a year. The amount of time and money I have invested in the sport of modeling is monumental. The concern I have is that if the Federal Communications Commission proceeds with the acceptance of PR Docket 92-235, the new rules will greatly reduce the useability of frequencies now assigned for use by model aviation.

I understand that the FCC wants to create more land mobile frequencies by splitting them into narrower bandwidths and rearranging the band plan. As a result, many land mobile frequencies will move closer to radio control frequencies and cause interference to radio control operations. Understand that some model aircraft have wings spanning 10' and weighing as much as 55 pounds. A model of this size and weight could cause major property damage, and more seriously, injury or death. We need the full range of radio frequencies to assure a safe flying environment.

The radio control model industry has spent the better part of 40 years designing and perfecting radio control equipment. In that time it has undergone major changes and has become much more user friendly causing the industry to become a provider of work for Americans. My experience 16 years ago demonstrates the problems that will surely arise. My brother and I were learning some of the rudiments of flight when a land mobile unit was keyed, and we lost a \$400.00 model aircraft. If the FCC is allowed to further diminish the legal frequency tolerance in the 72-76 MHz bands, the losses will be much greater.

It is my opinion that it would be unwise for the FCC to try to improve the operating conditions of land mobile radio users at the expense of radio control modelers. The FCC may not think model aviation is as important a radio user as business radio users, but we have a considerable investment in our aircraft and radio equipment and are guaranteed the pursuit of happiness by this country's Constitution.

Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my chosen form of recreation by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals for the 72-76 MHz band.

Sincerely,

David R. Rankin  
Daniel L. Rankin



2/3/93

Hear Senator Hiram Forestain

I am retired and I enjoy constructing and flying model airplanes. I have been building model airplanes since I was 10 years old. I belong to the local club whose membership is 250 strong. I am concerned about the proposed rules that are under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) PR Docket 92235. If adopted this would reduce the usability of the frequencies assigned for model use. Our radio control frequencies are in the 72-76 MHz band. We have no problem as it stands now. But the FCC wants to create more land mobile frequencies. As a result many land mobile frequencies will move closer to the radio control frequencies and cause interference to radio control operations. I am told that of 50 frequencies only 19 will be left if the new rule is adopted. If this happens many of our safety precautions will be taken away from us. It would make it dangerous for the person flying the plane as well as the spectator. Some of the planes have a wingspan of 8 to 10 feet and weigh 30 to forty pounds. They could cause property damage or serious injury. I don't even want to mention death if radio interference causes the operator to lose control. We need our full complement of radio frequencies to assure safe flying. I have 2 sons and 4 grandsons. I have many friends.

At least half of these radios would be unusable.  
Each Plane + radio combo. cost from \$300 - \$2000  
I do not think it is wise of the FCC to seek to  
improve the operating conditions of the land mobil  
radio users at the expense of the radio control  
modelers. The hobby provides many hours of enjoyment  
to thousand of people and also many jobs. Please  
help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime  
by not allowing the F.C.C. to carry out its proposal  
for the 72-76 MHz band

Sincerely  
Donald Yoppini

DONALD YOPPINI

1549 ALISAL AVE

SAN JOSE 95125

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein  
331 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

January 21, 1993  
10:10

Subject: FCC NPRM Pr Docket 92-235

Dear Senator Feinstein:

Let me begin by congratulating you on your recent election. Here's hoping things will change for the better in Washington. I am writing to request your assistance in the rejection of the subject proposal presently before the F.C.C. for adoption.

During the last five years we in the Radio Control Model hobby were required to replace all our equipment because the F.C.C. decreased our frequency spacing from 20 Khz to 10 Khz. The equipment replacement was very expensive and now they would all be obsoleted by this docket changing the spacing to 2.5 Khz.

Most of us have been interested in Radio Controlled Models for over thirty years and we spend much of our leisure time trying to help the younger generation to learn what a great hobby-sport this is. Certainly this wonderful pastime offers young people a great alternative to drugs, for this reason alone it is worthwhile.

This proposal, if adopted, would preclude the safe operation of model aircraft and make the operators subject to litigation for accidents caused by radio interference. The models I fly are large, fast, and expensive, therefore I take every precaution to operate them safely. There is no precaution I could take to prevent an accident caused by radio interference by another radio broadcasting perhaps miles away on a frequency only 2.5 Khz. away from my radio.

It is for the reasons I have stated that the proposals in FCC. NPRM PR Docket 92-235 to add frequencies between model and commercial frequencies not be adopted.

Sincerely

*Rex C. Leinert*  
1513 Del Mar Rd.  
Oceanside, Ca  
92057

Dear Senator Feinstein:

I am involved with the sport of Radio Controlled modeling. I am presently a member of the Bayside Radio Control Club in Fremont, California. Our club has over 270 members. I enjoy the building and the flying of R/C aircraft. In the beginning of 1991, we underwent the changing of all our Radio equipment to insure that we met the new guidelines set forth by the FCC and to keep our hobby safe. I presently own six Radio control systems and 10 different models and I have a workshop full of products, equipment, and projects necessary to operate my aircraft.

I am very concerned about the proposed rule that is currently under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted, the new rule will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for R/C models and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability.

Our radio-control frequencies are currently in the 72-76 MHz band. This band is primarily used for private land mobile dispatch operations. However, our radio-control frequencies in this band are far enough apart from land mobile frequencies that we have been able to share the band without either use interfering with the other.

The Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM) in PR Docket 92-235 replaces Part 90 of the rules with a new Part 88. Part 90 allows for the safe use of R/C aircraft and surface models by keeping a 10 KHz spacing between fixed commercial users and frequencies used by R/C enthusiasts. The new Part 88 will allow mobile users on frequencies within 2.5 KHz of frequencies available to us, eliminating safe use of at least 31 of the 50 channels on the 72 MHz band (for R/C aircraft) and 10 of the 30

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Washington, D.C. 20510

4 February 1993

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I am involved with the sport of Radio Controlled modeling. I am presently a member of the Bayside Radio Control Club in Fremont, California. Our club has over 270 members. I enjoy building and the flying of R/C aircraft. In the beginning of 1991, we underwent the changing of all our Radio equipment to insure that we met the new guidelines set forth by the FCC and to keep our hobby safe. I presently own four (4) Radio control systems and ten (10) different models and I have a workshop full of products, equipment, and projects necessary to operate my aircraft.

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When we operate our R/C models, we go to great lengths to ensure the safety of the operators and bystanders and the protection of property. Many of our safety precautions involve the careful coordination and use of the frequencies. If the number of usable frequencies is diminished as proposed by the FCC, the remaining frequencies will become congested and the margin of safety will be greatly decreased.

I do not think it is wise of the FCC to seek to expand the operation of conditions of land mobile radio users at the expense of the radio control modelers. The FCC may not think we are as important as business users of radio, but we have a considerable investment in our models and in our radio equipment. It is a sizable industry that must be saved from these detrimental FCC actions. The hobby provides many hours of enjoyment to hundreds of thousands of people like myself and contributes to the advancement and development of the commercial aviation industry.

Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposal PR Docket 92-235 for the 72-76 MHz band. We all need your help urgently because the FCC has a deadline of February 26, 1993 after which it may become more difficult to avoid halting these proposals from going into effect.

Sincerely,

J A CAIRES

**San Diego**  
**AMA Charter #3078**

9:25

Date: February 5, 1993

To: The Honorable Dianne Feinstein  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

From: Chuck Grim  
1319 Reed Ave.  
San Diego, CA 92109-5131

Dear Senator Dianne Feinstein:

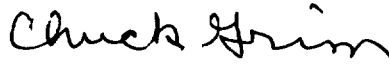
I am an electronic engineer employed by the Department of Defense. My career started with my interest in radio controlled airplanes when I was a teenager. I still enjoy the hobby today.

I am very concerned about proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted, the new

I do not think it is wise of the FCC to seek to improve the operating conditions of land mobile radio users at the expense of radio control modelers. The FCC may not think we are as important as business users of radios, but we have a considerable investment in our models and in our radio equipment. The hobby provides many hours of enjoyment to thousands of people like myself and contributes to the advancement and development of the commercial aviation industry.

Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals for the 72-75 MHz band.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Chuck Grim".

Chuck Grim

Treasurer

(619) 274-7322



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May 1, 1993

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The Honorable Diane Feinstein  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Feinstein:

I am an active radio controlled model airplane builder and operator and I derive many hours of enjoyment from this activity. I am active in a local club whose members also enjoy constructing and operating radio controlled model airplanes.

I am very concerned about the proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability for controlling model airplanes. I suspect they may even become unusable for model use.

As a matter of fact, I own two radio controlled airplanes and one radio controlled helicopter that would be unusable if this frequency assignment is made. The reason that they may be unusable is because the proposed new frequencies are so close, interference will occur and render most model frequencies unusable. I don't want to risk injury to individuals and/or ruin my investment of approximately \$4,000, or give up so much fun that is derived from this activity.

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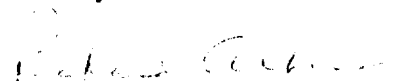
When we fly our model airplanes under radio control, we go to great lengths to assure the safety of the operators and bystanders and the protection of property. A major portion of the precautions involve the careful coordination and use of the radio control frequencies. If the number of usable frequencies is diminished as proposed by the FCC, the remaining frequencies will become congested and the margin of safety will be greatly decreased.

Please understand that many of the model airplanes have wing spans up to 10 feet and weigh as much as 30 or 40 pounds. My helicopter has a main rotor span of 60" in diameter. The models themselves are expensive to build; but more to the point, they are capable of causing property damage, serious injury or even death if radio interference causes the operator to lose control of the craft. We often fly our models at organized events and contests where hundred of operators participate. We need the use of our full complement of radio frequencies in order to assure a safe flying environment.

I do not think it is wise of the FCC to seek to improve the operating conditions of land mobile radio users at the expense of radio control modelers. The FCC may not think we are as important as business users of radios, but we have a considerable investment in our models and in our radio equipment. The hobby provides many hours of enjoyment to thousands of people like myself and contributes to the advancement and development of the commercial aviation industry.

Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals for the 72-76 MHz band.

Sincerely,



Richard Albers

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein  
367 Dirksen Senate Office Bldg  
Washington D.C., 20510

Dear Senator Feinstein:


I am very active in the construction and flying of radio controlled model airplanes. I am an active in a local radio control club with 250 members and enjoy my hobby very much.

I am very concerned with the FCC and their PR Docket 92-235. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce or make it impossible to use frequencies currently assigned for model use and increase the risk of accident and with it the liability for controlling model airplanes.

Please understand that my models are not just toys. My largest model plane has a weight of 25 pounds and has both still photography and video camera capabilities. I have \$1600.00 invested in this model alone. It goes without saying that a radio interference problem would make this model very dangerous and could cause serious injury and property damage.

I do not think that the FCC should seek to improve operating conditions for land mobile use at the expense of radio control modelers. The hobby provides many hours of enjoyment and recreation to thousands of people like myself. The radio control hobby also contributes to the advancement and development of the commercial aviation industry.

Sincerely,



William R. Volbeda

Feb 5, 1993

Honorable Dianne Feinstein,  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C.

02/05/93 15:19

Re: PR Docket 92-235

I am very concerned about proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability for controlling model airplanes.

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Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals for the 72-76 MHz band.

Sincerely,

Herbert B. Dawson

J. Gregg Wilson, Jr.  
1085 Remsen Court  
Sunnyvale, CA 94087  
408-736-1797

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

Re: Notice of Proposed Rule Making PR Docket 92-235

Dear Senator Feinstein:

I am deeply concerned about the proposed rules change included in the Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM) PR Docket 92-235 currently under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). I would appreciate your help in defeating this proposal.

I am a model airplane enthusiast who has enjoyed constructing and flying radio controlled (R/C) aircraft for many years. In order to comply with new FCC rules in 1991, those of us who fly R/C aircraft purchased new radio receivers and upgraded our transmitters. This was done, at significant cost, to ensure the safety of operators and bystanders and protect property.

NPRM-PR Docket 92-235 is proposed under Part 88 of FCC rules which, if adopted, will greatly reduce the usability of 72-76 MHz band frequencies currently assigned by the

Radio control enthusiasts go to great lengths to ensure the safety of R/C pilots, bystanders, and model airplanes. The airplanes are expensive to build and, more importantly, they are capable of causing property damage and serious injury if radio interference causes the pilot to lose control of the aircraft. We R/C pilots depend on uninterrupted radio contact with our airplanes at all times when we are flying. The close frequency range of 2.5 kHz would cause interference in our transmitters and render unsafe at least thirty of the fifty frequencies assigned to radio control.

I am an active member of the Pioneer R/C Club, an affiliate of the Santa Clara County Police Activities League (PAL). Our club makes annual monetary contributions to PAL to support its youth programs and special group activities. We also regularly contribute to the development of our youth by teaching them how to build and fly R/C aircraft, in addition to stimulating interest in science and technology and the advancement of the commercial aviation industry.

It is unfair of the FCC to accommodate land mobile radio users at the expense of radio control users, and I would appreciate your help so that:

- 1) NPRM-PR Docket 92-235 is not implemented, and
- 2) R/C fliers like myself can safely use our frequencies on the 72-76 MHz band.

I would appreciate hearing from you regarding this matter.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Gregg Wilson, Jr.', with a stylized, cursive script.

J. Gregg Wilson, Jr.

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein  
331 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

January 21, 1993

Subject: FCC NPRM Pr Docket 92-235

Dear Senator Feinstein:

February 4, 1993

02/04/93 12:13

The Honorable Sen. Dianne Feinstein  
367 Dirksen Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Sen. Dianne Feinstein:

I am a Radio Control Modeler and just learned of PR Docket 92-325.

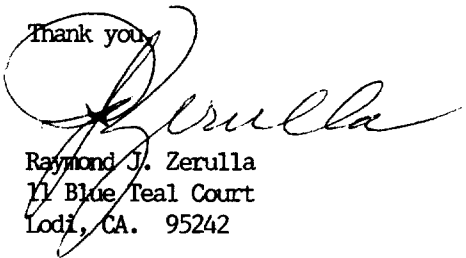
I am retired and have four radio's in the 72 MHz range and two in the 75 MHz range. The equipment that I run can run upwards of \$3,000.00. I am concerned over this proposal in three areas:

1. The frequencies are too close to existing R.C. frequencies.
2. They are mobile.
3. The allowable deviation off the new mean frequency is large enough that they could legally cross over into one of our R.C. frequencies.

The safety aspect of one of my planes losing control in flight is very dangerous, not to mention the liability factor.

Please BLOCK this proposal.

Thank you,



Raymond J. Zerulla  
11 Blue Teal Court  
Lodi, CA. 95242

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein

February 7, 1993

Ref: FCC Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM) in PR Docket 92-235

Dear Senator Feinstein

I would like to bring an issue to your attention. It may affect a number of your constituents.

I have been interested in aviation since I was a small by and I've been active in Radio Controlled (R/C) Model Aviation for over 10 years. I'm very concerned about a proposed rule under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC).

The proposal is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted, this new rule would greatly reduce the number of frequencies assigned for R/C model use and increase the risk of accidents.

R/C frequencies are in the 72 to 76 Mhz band. This band is primarily used for private land mobile dispatch operations. Our current R/C frequencies are far enough apart from the land mobile frequencies, we've been able to share the band without interfering with each other.

The NPRM in PR Docket 92-235 replaces Part 90 of the rules with a new Part 88. Part 90 allows for safe use of R/C aircraft and surface models by keeping 10 Khz spacing between fixed commercial users and frequencies used by R/C enthusiasts. The new Part 88 will allow mobile users on frequencies within 2.5 Khz of those available to



January 30, 1993

60-113-11407

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Feinstein:

I am requesting that you help prevent the FCC from implementing their proposed rule (NPRM-PR Docket 92-235) for modifying the 72-76 MHz band.

I am a builder and flyer of radio controlled model aircraft and our radios use this band. The proposed additional frequencies would be within our bandwidth and would certainly interfere with aircraft operation. This would create a safety problem and a financial burden on model aircraft flyers.

Since the proposed new frequencies are designated as mobile, their operation and potential interference cannot be predicted or detected ahead of time. Interference will cause planes to go out of control. Since the planes can weigh several pounds, an out of control plane becomes a dangerous projectile with the potential to injure to people or damage property.

In addition, these planes may cost anywhere from \$30 to hundreds of dollars (not counting the value of 10's to 100's of hours to build) which would be destroyed in a crash. We have recently been forced by the FCC to buy or upgrade our radios to 10KHz narrowband. Now this new proposal would make these radios which cost from \$100 to \$2000 unusable. Many of us have several radios (I have 4 at a total value of about \$600).

This proposed new rule is unfair and dangerous to the 1000's of model plane enthusiasts as well as the general public. Please do not allow the rule to be implemented.

Sincerely,

*Bill Souder*

Bill Souder  
3353 Crazy Horse Dr.  
Simi Valley, CA 93063